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GEORGE R. BLODGETT SHOT

WELL-KNOWN PATENT LAWYER'S EN-COUNTER WITH A BURGLAR.

THE CRIME COMMITTED AT MR. BLODGETT'S HOME IN SCHENECTADY-A REWARD OF \$5,000 OFFERED-THE WOUNDED MAN

LIKELY TO DIE-ANOTHER

VICTIM NEAR BY. Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 3.—George R. Blodgett, counsel of the General Electric Company in charge of patent cases, and one of the bestknown patent lawyers in the country, was shot and, it is thought, mortally wounded by a burglar early this morning. The shooting occurred at his home, No. 11 Front-st.

Shortly before 3 o'clock Mr. Biodgett was aroused by his wife, who said that some one had entered the house and come into the bedroom. Mr. Blodget, sprang out of bed and encountered a man, who began backing toward the door, which opened into a lighted hall. The intruder ordered Mr. Blodgett to throw up his hands. A moment later Mr. Blodgett sank upon his knees. It is not known whether he did this to escape a threatened shot, or whether in jumping quickly forward in the direction of the man he tripped and fell. As he lay with his head toward the burglar the latter fired. The builet passed over his head and entered his back to the right of his spine, just above the right kidney, taking a downward course.

In the excitement of the moment Mr. Blodgett did not even know he was wounded. He arose quickly and pursued the man down the front stairs and outdoors, but the thief, many steps in advance of him, escaped through the front door. The wounded man collapsed a moment later, and on the arrival of assistance was carried into the house.

He is in a critical condition. The attending physicians found it impossible to locate the bullet by probing, but the X ray revealed it in the pelvic cavity. The physicians are fearful of an internal hemorrhage or acute peritonitis, and have little expectation of Mr. Blodgett's re-

The General Electric Company has offered a reward of \$5,000 for the arrest of the man who attempted to murder Mr. Blodgett, but up to the present no trace of him has been discovered. Mrs. Blodgett, the only witness to the shooting, said to-night that her husband did not fire a shot. He had no weapon with him. An early report that several shots were exchanged between himself and the intruder is accounted for by the fact that Mrs. Blodgett, as soon as she could find a loaded revolver, threw open one of the windows and discharged it several times to

These who came found that the burglars, for These who came found that the burglars, for there were two, perhaps three, of them, had cut the telephone wire leading into the house. An investigation showed that the men had been in the house a considerable length of time. They had searched several rooms, even some on the third floor. A pile of Mr. Blodgett's clothes had been placed in the front hall and under them were his little daughter's silver knife and fork. The thleves had also gathered in another heap a quantity of much more valuable plunder. All that they managed to carry off was a number of silver spoons, an old-fashiened silver sugar bowl from the sideboard of the dining-room and some trinkets. The bowl had the maker's name marked on it in old-style stamped letters and marked on it in old-style stamped letters and "N. York" instead of "New-York."

The police in all directions have been in-

formed of the crime and of the large reward offered. hamlet on the Glenville Hills known as

offered.

The hamlet on the Glenville Hills known as the Town House, about five miles from this city, was last night the scene of an assault by burgiars, who were probably the same men that shot Mr. Blodgett three hours later. John Cochrane, a farmer, and his family were the victims. Cochrane was in town yesterday afternoon with a lead of poultry, butter and eggs. He collected a considerable sum of money, and it is supposed the burglars knew this.

Being awakened by two men in his room at 12:30 o'clock, he sprang up and grappled with one of them. The other hit Cochrane a terrific blow over the head with the butt of his revolver, knocking him down and rendering him unconscious. After assaulting Cochrane, the burglars bound and gagged his wife and a young boy who lives with the family.

They then ransacked the house. The sum of money which Cochrane received yesterday was in the house, but the thieves could not find it. They secured a few dollars, a gold watch and some trinketh.

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Conran remained unconscious for some time, but when he did recover he dragged himself to the nearest neighbor's and gave the alarm. A search was made for the burglars, but nothing came of it. Cochrane's condition is serious.

RUSHING WHEAT OVER THE LAKES.

ICE IN THE ST. MARY'S RIVER A GREATER FAC-TOR THAN EVER.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—Never in the grain trade has ice in St. Mary's River between Lake Superior and Lake Huron been such a factor as now. It is form-ing rapidly, and yet thirty-seven boats are loading wheat at Duluth and Fort William, and new charters are being made for more to bring the cereal to Chicago. It is said that not less than one and a half million bushels of wheat are yet to be brought from million business of wheat are yet to be prought from Duluth to Chicago and two million business are to go to Buffalo. About fifteen vessels are still to take on cargoes at Fort William. In the rush for boats the highest rate of the year was paid at Duluth. It was four cents to Buffalo.

PRISONERS WRECK A JAIL.

PANDEMONIUM REIGNED UNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF THE SHERIPF WITH A POSSE.

Smithport, Penn., Dec. 2.—Fourteen prisoners in the McKean County Jail attempted to break out yesterday afternoon. Sheriff Davis and his deputy yesterday afternoon. Sheriff Pavis and his acquired were absent. Two hall men were out in the corridor, and, securing an iron bar, they pried off the steel blinds on a cell door, releasing another man. Then the three broke every cen lock and let out fourteen men, who tried to break open the door leading to the street, but failed. The Sheriff's wife, hearing the noise, went for assistance, and the men were held in check until the arrival of the Sherid' and a posse. At II o'clock last night the rebellious prisoners were driven into cells and guards placed over them. All is quiet to-day. The interior of the lail is a wreek. Doors were ton off, locas destroyed, windows broken and bedding and colos strewn about. The literiot-Attorney will bring an action for malicious mischief and attempting to break jail against the prisoners.

ANOTHER BIG GAS COMPANY IN BULLALO.

WILLIAM F. SHEEHAN ORGANIZED IT TO BUY OUT THE QUEEN CITY.

Albany, Dec. 3.—The People's Gas Light and Coke Company, of Baffalo, was incorporated with the Secretary of State to-day with a capitalization of \$2,000,000. The company will manufacture and supply gas for lighting purposes in the city of Buffalo. Its directors are Herbert P. Blascil, H. H. Griffin, William C. Cornwell, Frank B. Haird, William F. Wendt, John A. Kennedy, Fred C. M. Lantz, T. Guilford Smith and Harmer St. C. Denny, all of The incorporators are well-known bust

ness men.

The financial power interested, aside from these men, is the Colonial Trust Company, of New-York, of which William F. Sheehan is counsel and one of the directors. The People's company will at once take up all the stock of the Queen City Gas Light Company. The organization of this company was the business that brought Mr. Sheehan to Buffalo several days ago.

Another gas company, in which Emerson McMillin, of New-York, is the leading spirit, was formed in Buffalo only a few days ago with a capital of \$1,000,000.

BLACK LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES. Lansing, Mich., Dec. 3.-State Insurance Comdoner Campbell to-day issued a circular contain ing names of thirty-five fire insurance companies which, he asserted, are unauthorized to do business in Michigan, and many of which, he charges, have no legal existence anywhere. These are in addition to a list of over twenty alleged fraudulent com-panies recently published by the Commissioner. GERMANY TIGHTENS ITS GRIP.

REINFORCEMENTS OF MEN AND GUNS FOR ITS FORCE IN CHINA.

Berlin, Dec. 3 .- The Naval Department has sent instructions to Kiel to dispatch two hundred artillerymen, with field guns, and one thousand marines to China.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 3 .- Great reticence is observed in official circles here regarding the political situation in the far East, but the opinion prevails that Germany will not occupy Kiao-Chau Bay, on the Shan-Tung Peninsula, permanently. The Russian newspapers protest against the occupation of Klao-Chau Bay as being calculated to injure the interests of Russians in the far East, and they declare the Russian Government ought to demand its evacuation, or else obtain an equivalent.

RUSSIAN OFFICIALS IN CHINA.

London, Dec. 4 .- A dispatch to "The Times" from Shanghai says that five Russian military instructors have recently arrived in China and that Russians have also been appointed customs officers, two at Canton, one at Swatau, Province of Quang-Tong, and one at Foo-Chow, capital of the Province

RAN THE STUDENT THROUGH THE BODY.

TRAGIC RESULT OF A QUARREL WITH A RUSSIAN OFFICER. London, Dec. 4 .- A dispatch to "The Daily Mail"

from Moscow says that in a quarrel between some officers and students at Kieff, capital of the Government of that name, recently a student named Ulyanitski struck an officer, whereupon the latter drew his sword and ran Ulyanitski through the body, killing him on the spot.

RIGHTS OF AMERICANS IN BELGIUM.

THEY CANNOT BE COMPELLED TO SERVE IN THE CIVIL GUARD.

Brussels, Dec. 3.-The Government has decided that Americans living in Relgium will bereafter be exempt from service in the Civil Guard.

In September last, in spite of the fact that, a cording to the treaty between the United States and Relgium, neither country can call upon the citizens of the other country for military service, the Belgian Government proposed to compel foreigners to erve in the Civil Guard, on the theory that that oody was not part of the army, though, in case of war and in times of peril, it might be called upon to do garrison duty. Thereupon the Americans living at Brussels held a meeting and decided to oppose the action of the Beigian Government, and olutions were adopted and forwarded to the nited States Minister at Brussels, Bellamy Storer, asking for the intervention of the United States Government in the matter. It is doubtless due to the efforts of the United States in this matter that the Helgian Government has now decided that Americans in Beigium will hereafter be exempt from service in the Civil Guard.

PUNISHING THE REBEL TRIBESMEN.

PROGRESS OF A BRITISH PUNITIVE FORCE ON THE AFGHAN FRONTIER

Simla, Dec. 3.-Further dispatches from the front say that the Kurram column of the punitive force of British troops, which met with flerce resistance on its march into the Chamkanni country, where thirty villages of the insurgent tribesmen were heavy punishment on the Chamkannis, who held an almost inaccessible position on heights which were stormed in fine style by the Gurkhas, who captures the position at the point of the bayonet.

Many of the tribesmen were killed, and the latter left the bodies of thirty of their dead behind them. Of the British force Major Van Sittart and two men were wounded and two privates were killed. It has developed that the Maharajah Sir Pratabe Singh was shot in the hand during the "sniping." Singh was knot in the hand during the shiping, or night-firing, of the enemy at the headquarters camp on Monday night, but he said nothing about it until questioned respecting the bandage about his hand. The incident is said to be typical of the spirit of the Indian princes.

THE STRIKING ENGINEERS.

CONFERRMES DECIDE TO SUBMIT DISPUTED

London, Dec. 3.-It is reported that the delegates of the striking engineers who have been conferring with the representatives of the employers have seen unable to accept the proposals of the latter, and have decided to leave the conference and sub-mit all the points in dispute to the unions. The conference has been adjourned until De-

The employers decline to recede from their posiion respecting freedom in the management of their business, without the interference of the unions, and emphatically pronounced against a reduction in the hours of labor, on the ground that such a dim-inution would mean a diminished output and ine-bility to meet foreign competition.

The general impression is that the foregoing means a renewal of the deadlock, unless the unions accept these terms.

REMARKABLE CURE OF A SPRAIN.

GREES FAHRENHEIT.

A STUDENT WHOSE LEG IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN BAKED IN HEAT 300 DE-

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 3.—E. B. Hinman, a sopho-more in the University of California, has had his leg baked in an oven at a temperature of 309 degrees' Fahrenhelt to cure a sprain. This is eightyeight degrees higher than the temperature of bolling water; twice the heat at which meat is or-dinarily roasted for the table. The sprain disappeared with wonderful rapidity. The injured limb was treated in a specially prepared apparatus, conwas frozen in a speciary property apparatus, on iron sup-ports, with a gas burner underneath. Hinnan's leg was wrapped in absorbent cotton and placed in the cylinder with non-conducting rubber lags closing the interior, so that the heat could not es-cape. After three bakings the sprain was entirely

DISCUSSING MARYLAND SENATORSHIP.

CONGRESSMAN BARBER THE CANDIDATE OF EASTERN SHORE REPUBLICANS.

Raltimore, Dec. 3 (Special) .- A conference of Republican leaders from the Eastern Shore tier of countles was held here to-day to discuss the United States Senatorship. It was attended by Congressman Barber, State Senators Dryden, of Somer-set; Messick, of Caroline, and Dodson, of Talbot County; Pish Commissioner Tawes and others. It was decided to support Congressman Barber for Senator and Senator Dryden for President of the Senator and Senator Dryden for President of the Sanate. The Eastern Share Republicans have eleven representatives in the Legislature, four in the Sen-ate and seven in the House. In another conference of members of the Legis-lature from difference parts of the State the candi-dacy for Schnior of Postmaster-General Gary was its ussed.

RESTAURANT FOR VEGETARIANS.

A SCHEME WHICH IS EXPECTED TO MEET WITH SUCCESS IN BOSTON.

Boston, Dec. 3 (Special).-It is probable that there will be started in this city soon a restaurant to be run on strictly vegetarian principles. There are in Boston hundreds of persons who are practically non meat-eaters, and it is believed that a restaurant devoted to the preparation of dishes con-sisting entirely of vegetable food would meet with a large patronage. A number of prominent Ros-tonians are interesting themselves in forming a vegetarian society for the purpose of establishing such a restaurant.

GENERAL FLAGLER IN BETHLEHEM.

THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE WITNESSES WORK ON

ARMOR AND BIG GUNS. of Ordnance of the United States Army, spent several hours to-day at the Bethlehem Iron Company's plant. His visit had no special significance, the company's officials said. He witnessed the forging of turnet plates for the battle-ships now under construction and the assembling of big guns for coast defence. Bethlehem, Penn., Dec. 3.-General Flagler, Chie

RUMORS ALARM HAYTI.

SERIOUS TROUBLE THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND FEARED.

THE PEOPLE STILL THINK GERMAN WARSHIPS ARE ON THE WAY THERE-THE VESSELS,

HOWEVER, ARE GNLY SCHOOLSHIPS Washington, Dec. 3.-Mr. Leger, the Haytian Minister, was an early caller at the State Department to-day, having news from home of a most disquieting nature, which he wished to discuss with the officials. Secretary Sherman being still confined to his house by a cold, and Assistant Secretary Day having attended the President on his journey to Canton, Mr. Adee, the Second Assistant Secretary, was acting as Secretary of State, and to him the Minister had

It appeared that his Government had cabled to him from Port au Prince that the Haytian Consul at Kingston, Jamaica, had telegraphed that two German warships satted yesterday from that place for Port au Prince. The news had created the greatest excitement in the town and all over the Island, and disturbances were apprehended.

The foundation for the statement is believed to be the fact that the two German schooolships which have been cruising in southern waters are just starting on their way northward to the United States. About the middle of September the German Chargé-d'Affaires here, Mr. Reichenau, advised the State Department that the German cadet schoolship Stein would arrive at Charleston, S. C., on February 2, and that the cadet schoolship Charlotte would arrive at the same port on February 11. They are to depart on February 5 and 16. These vessels cannot properly be regarded as warships, although they

are attached to the German Navy and carry a large number of cadets.

Nevertheless Mr. Leger fears that their appearance in Haytian waters at this time, when the threat has been made that German warships will make a demonstration in the harbor of Port au Prince, may lead to serious trouble

COLORADO FARMERS DISAPPOINTED.

THEY TRIED TO CORNER THE POTATO CROP AND LOST THEIR MARKET.

Denver, Dec. 8.-The farmers of Colorado are sinted at the failure of an attempt to corner the potato market. The chief market for the crop has been in Texas and Southern points. year, when it was reported that there was a shortage in the Eastern crop, the potato-growers de-cided to raise the price of the crop out of sight. To-day they are trying to find a demand for the potatoes, and the railroads in Colorado that formerly handled from thirty to forty carloads a day merly handled from thirty to forty cariosos a day for five months of the year find that traffic is gone. The business has been captured by the farmers of Minnesota, who are now supplying the South with all the tubers they want at 20 cents a hun-dred less than the Colorado farmers.

PLAYED COMEDY WITH HIS WIFE DYING.

THE TRYING ORDEAL OF ARTHUR L. LIVINGSTON AT LOUISVILLE

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 2.—Della McQuaid Living-ston, the wife of Arthur Livingston, an actor, died at an infirmary last night, just after her husband had finished playing a comic rôle in "Charley's

Aunt" at the Temple Theatre.

Mrs. Livingston came here two weeks ago from Santa Rosa, Cal., to be with her husband, who is a member of a stock compary playing here. She was taken suddenly ill, and last night began sinking rapidly. As her husband was on the bill for the night's performance, she would not let him be informed of the turn for the worse in her condition When the play was over he was told that his wife was dying, and, jumping into a carriage, he got to her bedside just in time to tell her goodby. He said his mind was on her illness all through the evening, but he could not afford to lose the night's work. His wife was a clever actress and was twenty-six years old.

CONFESSION OF A PARRICIDE.

HEART TO KILL HIS FATHER.

a confession, implicating his sweetheart, Delilah Fales, in the murder of Jerome Kern, his father, and has confessed himself to have been her willing dupe and accomplice. He says he loved her. He had no particular enmity against his father, save that the latter objected to his attachment to Miss Fales. Such was his fascination for the woman tails of a plot to slay both his parents, take pos-session of their little property and get married, he

consented to assist in the slaughter.

A plot was laid to lure Jerome Kern into the timeer and then make way with him. The mur-der of the mother was to be accomplished at a later date. On the morning of the murder the elder Kern was induced to leave the house. Deltlah Fales lay in wait for him and, after engaging the unsuspecting man in conversation, fired the fatal unsuspecting man in conversation, fired the fatal shot. According to young Kern's confession, the two then saturated the clothing of the fead man with oil and set fire to it, the object being to conceal the manner in which he died. He alleges that the olican and the revoiver were buried by the Fales woman in the woods.

Kern was made to confess through the work of detectives, who induced a young man to haunt him in the guise of the ghost of his murdered father.

DR. WAGNER LOSES HIS CASE.

THE ATTEMPT TO RECOVER MEARLY \$2,000,000 FROM FREDERICK COUNTY COMMIS-

SIONERS FAILS. Baitimore, Dec. 2.—Dr. Harrison Wagner to-day lost his suit to recover hearly \$2,000,000 from the Commissioners of Frederick County. Judge Morris, in the United States Court, before whom the case was tried without a jury, decided that there was no prima facie evidence of the validity of the eleven thousand magistrate's judgments against the Coun-ty Commissioners on which Dr. Wagner had based his claim. A verdlet was accordingly rendered for the Commissioners.

The certified copies of the sileged judgments filled a trunk, which Dr. Wagner had sent to the court from Washington yesterday morning. These judg-ments purport to have been obtained before the late Justice Haynes, of Frederick County. Each is for \$100 and \$1.30 costs, aggregating \$1,114,300, the interest making up the sum of \$1.875,316 claimed by Dr. Wagner. When the trunk had been taken into the courtroom all the papers it contained were offered in evidence, and on them Dr. Wegner's case was in evidence, and on them Dr. Wegner's case was submitted by his attorney, John Wharlon Clark, of Washington. The papers were done up in neat packages of 1,000 each, isbelled and tied. The eleven packages filled the trunk.

Dr. Wagner, who took the result of the trial quietly, returned to Washington in the afternoon. He was formerly a manufacturer of proprietary medicines in Frederick County, but now lives in Ohlo.

THEIR OWN SON ACCUSED.

A LOWELL BOY HELD FOR TRYING TO ROB AND KILL HIS FATHER AND MOTHER.

Lowell Mass. Dec. 2.-The excitement which prevailed in this city this morning when it became known that Edwin A. Howe, a letter-carrier, and his wife had been murderously assaulted by burglars, whom they had interrupted in the work of rob-bing their home on returning from an entertain-ment last night, was greatly increased this aftermoon when Aifred Howe, their son, was placed un-der arrest, charged with assault with intent to kill his father and mother. The arrest was the result of an investigation by the police, which diswho had been awakened by some noise, found several of the gas-burners wide open. The silverware, which was missing, and which it was thought the burglars had taken, was found hilden under a woodpile in the cellar. Then young Howe was arrested. The police say that they have learned that Howe, who is twenty-one years old, has been thinking of marriage for some time, but has been unable to carry out his wish through lack of money. They refer to the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Howe both carry life insurance as having an important bearing on the case. A NEW ORGANIZATION.

PUSHING THE WORK OF REPUBLICAN REFORM.

THE SWAYNE-BROOKFIELD ORGANIZATION PRAC-

TICALLY DISBANDS AND THE LYRIC HALL CONFERENCE APPOINTS A COMMITTEE

TO ADVANCE THE CAUSE-MA-CHINE DISTRICT LEADERS

CONSULT WITH QUIGG.

Two conferences, affecting the future of the Republican party in the city, were held yesterday afternoon and evening. The afternoon conference was held in the rooms of the Republican County Committee, at No. 1 Madison-ave. where President Quigg, after a long talk with Senator Platt, called the district leaders together and expressed fully his ideas of the danconfronting the regular organization in view of the movement to form an independent organization. He told the leaders of the offers he had made to the Republicans interested in the independent movement for a conference, and of recent talks he had had with James Yere-

ance, William Brookfield and others with a view to promote harmony. Some of the dis trict leaders also expressed their views. The result was a decision not to delay the primaries which have been set for December 14, and Mr. Quigg was authorized to go shead meanwhile in his efforts to promote peace in the Republi-

In the evening there was a conference of Republicans opposed to the machine. They met at Lyric Hall, in Sixth-ave., near Forty-secondst., and there were present five delegates from each Assembly district, appointed by associations of the Republican Organization of the City and County of New-York, of which General Wager Swayne has served as president. There were present also delegates from the conference of Republicans which effected a partial organization at the Plaza Republican Club on Monday evening. Resolutions were passed practically disbanding the organization of which General Swayne has been the head, and appointing an executive committee to aid in the task of forming a new Republican organization

THE LYRIC HALL CONFERENCE.

General Swayne acted as chairman of the evening conference, and Frank C. Langley was secretary. The conference was marked by substantial unanimity of sentiment and action throughout, and there was frequent applause for the various speakers. The first resolution offered was one providing for the appointment of a committee of thirty-five to prepare a constitution and plan of enrolment. This resolution was unanimously adopted. The five delegates from each Assembly district were authorized to select one of their number as their refresentative on this committee. Then William Brookfield offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the committee be empowered to confer and co-operate with the similar movement represented here to-night and with the several committees now at work.

It was subsequently decided that three su committees of this committee be named, consisting of three members each, to confer respectively with the Plaza conference's committees on Policy and Plan of Organization, Resolutions and Address to the Public, and Organiza-The next resolution was offered by A. F. Carll, and was to this effect:

Resolved. That it is the sense and judgment of this organization that under the existing conditions the only solution of the situation is the forming of an entirely new Republican organization in the city and county of New York; and that we proceed at once to carry out the provisions of this resolu-

The resolution was afterward amended so that the word "conference" was inserted in place of the word "organization" in the first The resolution was identical in language, it was said with that already adopted by the

Plaza organization at Monday night's conference. A motion was made to lay this resolution on the table, but it was defeated by an overwhelming vote, and the resolution was then adopted unanimously. TO KEEP AWAY FROM THE PRIMARIES

Lovell H. Jerome offered this resolution, which was adopted without dissent:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting that we do not participate in the primaries of the so-called Republican organization, to be held on December 14.

was completed and the doors were opened, the rest of the session being public. It was announced that the Committee of Thirty-five would meet to-night at the rooms of the XXVIIth Assembly District Republican Club, Sixth-ave., between Forty-third and Fortyfourth sts., and Secretary Langley thereupon proceeded to read the roll of the committee, which so far as made up is as follows:

1. Joseph Murphy.
2. Dr. A. F. Haddad.
3. Henry Altmater.
4. Edward C. Cotter.
6. Henry C. Pierry.
7. Henry W. Olsen.
8. Theodore F. Ruble.
9. S. Carman Harriott.
10. User Maccus.
11. N. D. W. Jorgensen.
12. George Hammer.
13. J. M. Wandell.
14. William F. Daly.
15. Frank B. Guest.

19. John W. Hutchinson,
21. Frank C. Langley,
22. Thomas F. Eagan,
23. A. F. Caril,
24. F. J. Mallon,
25. William Brookfield,
29. Samuel G. French,
30. Edward C. Becherer,
31. Henry B. Smith,
22. Joseph Wamsley,
32. H. C. Kinkle,
34. W. S. Breisacher,
36. Edward J. Tucker,

General Wager Swayne and William S. Bags ere also added to the committee, ex officio. There was a contest in the naming of the member of the Executive Committee from the IXth Assembly District, there being two candidates, W. H. Fearns and S. Carman Harriot, An attempt was made to settle this dispute in the conference, and Mr. Fearns demanded that he be heard. The chairman ruled that the matter was one that should be settled by the five district representatives present. After the meeting adjourned a majority of the delegates from this district selected Mr. Harriot, who is treasurer of Good Government Club F.

J. Bayard Backus, invited the sub-committee of the Committee of Thirty-five to meet the Plaza Club's Committee on Policy and Plan of Organization, of which he is chairman, on Tuesday night, at the headquarters of the XXVIIth Assembly District Republican Club. General Swayne announced that there would be another meeting of the Republican Organization of the City of New-York within a few evenings, as soon as it could be found just when the hall could again be secured, and the meeting soon

afterward adjourned. FROM THE PLAZA CLUB.

The representatives of the conference at the Plaza Republican Club who were present at the Lyric Hall conference last evening were James S. Lehmaler, J. Bayard Backus, William M. Bennett, W. C. Wilson, T. J. Hallowell and W. H. Kenyon. The privilege of the floor was given to them, and the suggestions made by them as to the work of reorganization were courteously received.

After the meeting James S. Lehmaier said: "While we were present in the position of in-vited guests and not as members of the organization or meeting, I would say that I am very much gratified at the result of the meeting and feel confident that we have found a common

GOVERNOR GRIGGS RETICENT.

HE DECLINES TO DISCUSS THE OFFER OF A CABINET PLACE.

Paterson, N. J., Dec 3.-Governor John W Griggs arrived here this evening from Washington. He was driven directly from the station to his home, at Twelfth-ave, and Twentyseventh-st. He refused absolutely to talk about the report, printed exclusively in The Trib-une, that he was to be the next Attorney-General. He would not say that the office had been offered to him, neither would be deny it. Close friends of the Governor and of Vice-President Hobart, when seen at the Hamilton Club, expressed the belief that the Cabinet place had been offered to the Governor, and that he would probably accept it.

It is believed here that the objections to Washington life which caused the Governor to withdraw from the contest for the United States Senatorship to succeed Senator Smith will not prevail against the chances offered by the Cabinet place. The Governor then said that the salary connected with the Senatorship was not large enough to warrant him, as a comparatively poor man, accepting the place and breaking up his law practice

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 3 (Special) .- A well-known politician, who returned to this city this evening after a brief visit to Washington, confirms the report that President McKinley has offered the Attorney-Generalship to Governor Griggs.

The offer, he says, was made several days ago, and the Governor was invited to go to the capital to have a conference with the President. He arrived in Washington shortly after President McKinley had started for Canton, and, consequently, was unable to meet Mr. McKinley. Inasmuch as it was Mr. Hobart who suggested Governor Grigorie name to the President, it is Inasmuch as it was Mr. Hobart who suggested Governor Griggs's name to the President, it is only reasonable to suppose that the Governor has left his decision with the Vice-President. None of the New-Jersey Congress delegation, with the exception of Senator Sewell, knew of the President's offer, but all of them expressed the hope that Governor Griggs would accept the

PROSPERITY IN THE IRON TRADE.

MORE WORK AND HIGHER WAGES FOR HUN DREDS OF MEN. Cincinnati, Dec. 8.-For the first time in six years

the Mitchell & Tranter Rolling Mills, in Covington, Ky., are running a double force of over four hun-dred men. The Licking Rolling Mills are working overtime with four hundred men. The Overman & Scrader Cordage Works have put on a double force f three hundred men.

Sharon, Penn., Dec. 3.-Seven hundred blast-furnace employes at Sharon and Sharpsville have received an advance in wages of 10 and 20 per cent The advance was made without any solicitation or the part of the men. Every furnace in the Mahoning and Shenango valleys, it is said, has advanced wages.

KAIULANI FOR ANNEXATION.

A BELIEF WHICH IS SUPPORTED BY THE PRIN-CESS'S OWN CONDUCT.

Boston, Dec. 3.-Mail advices received in this city from Honolulu state that much interest is excited throughout the islands by the report, which is widely believed, that the friends and adherents of Princess Kaiulani will throw the weight of their influ-ence in favor of the annexation of Hawaii to the United States. As an evidence of their attitude, the action of the Princess within a day or two after her arrival there, in calling on President and Mrs. Dole for the purpose of paying her respects, is pointed out. This is taken to indicate that the Princess de-sires to cast her influence in favor of the new order of things, of which the President is the representa-

RUSSIAN ORDERS FOR AMERICA.

PACIFIC COAST MERCHANTS MAY SUPPLY THE

CZAR'S ARMY IN SIBERTA. San Francisco, Dec. 8-"The Call" says: "The re port that the Russian Government is buying large quantities of army supplies in the United States Cable messages from Viadivostock asking that merchants bid on large frequently received. Yesterday Dodge, Sweeny & Co., of this city, received a Viadivostock cable dispatch to figure on twelve hundred tons of supplies rison at Viadivostock has been largely reinforced by the arrival of troops on steamers and satting vessels from the Black Sea. The concentration of Russian troops at that point and the haste that Japan is making to increase her power on the sea leads some of the merchants to predict that the impending conflict between Russia and Japan may open as early as next summer. The recent heavy orders for army supplies to be forwarded to Vladivostock are regarded as significant of important movements in the Orient. It is believed that the completion of the Trans-Siberian Railroad, with its terminus at Vladivostock, will largely increase the trade of San Francisco, and there is talk of establishing a line of steamers to that place, touching at Alaskan ports. A local subsidy of \$3,000 a month has already been subscribed for an Alaskan line." troops at that point and the haste that Japan is

TYPHOID GERMS IN MILK.

AN EPIDEMIC IN PATERSON TRACED TO A CREAM

ERY IN WESTERN NEW-JERSEY. Paterson, Dec. 3 (Special).-Nine new cases of ty Paterson, Dec. 3 (Special).—Nine new cases of ty-phoid fover were reported in Paterson to-day. After a thorough investigation, Health Inspector Leal to-day announced that he has discovered the source of the present infection in the city. Out of the fifty-eight cases of the fever in Paterson at the time the investigation was begun, the inspector says that thirty-eight are directly traceable to the creamery of F. W. Fulboam, at Branchville, Sus-

The method by which he made the discovery is interesting. Dr. Leal did not consider the disease as threatening until November 29, when there were sixteen cases in the city. On the following day seven cases were reported from the Paterson Orsean Academy and the authorities bestirred themphan Asylum, and the authorities bestirred them-selves. After a thorough investigation of the water supply of the institution the inspector decided that there was nothing wrong there, and set cided that there was nothing wrong there, and set about to investigate the milk. He found that the same milk that was supplied to the Orphan Asylum was used in numerous soda water fountains; that it had been used at the Orphan Asylum super, at the Pure Food Show at the Armory, at the Women's Exchange luncheon, at a King's Daughters' meeting and at numerous other places. He found that this milk and cream came through the Fulboam place, to winch about fifty farmers send their milk. Inspector Leal communicated with Dr. Hunter, of the State Board of Health, and the latter went to Branchville to make an investigation. At the Fulboam creamery it was found that three of the proprietor's sons were sick with a fever, which the family physician pronounced typhoid. Drs. Hunt and Leal speedily determined that the aliment was typhoid, and it was further discovered that the eldest Fulboam boy had brought the disease with him from New-York. Drs. Leal and Hunter prosecuted their invastigations, and discovered that a lend pipe carried the refuse from the house to the same waterway from which the water was procured to wash the milk cans in the dairy was procured to wash the milk cans in the dairy. The wastepipe was taken down, and the milk supply from the Fulboam place has been cut off until the authorities are satisfied that it is uncontaminated.

Mayor Hinchiffe, who is sick with typhoid fever, was reported better to-day. Former Sheriff Hopwson's case has developed into typhoid-pneumonia. about to investigate the milk. He found that the

MORE RAIN AND SNOW TO-DAY. MORE RAIN AND SNOW TO-DAY.

The snow and rain which fell for a great part of the day yesterday made walking in the city exceedingly disagreeable. The morning dawned crisp and cold, but about 10:30 o'clock the flakes began to descend, and the temperature to rise. Later it turned into a sleet, and overshoes and umbrellas were soon in demand. Toward evening there was a light rainfall and most of the snow was washed away. More rain and snow are prophesied for to-day.

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Sloux City, lova, Dec. 3.—The worst snowstorm in years has been raging here for forty-eight hours. Railway traffic is seriously hampered.

Marshalltown, lowa, Dec. 3.—The snow began to drift this afternoon and a bad blockade is probable. Omaha, Neb., Dec. 3.—Snow has fallen in Nebraska continuously for twenty-four hours, and in some parts of the State it continues. At Omaha the fall amounts to about eight inches, and in the northern part of the State it is much heavier. Hartington reports sixteen inches, and still falling. The snow is general in Western lowa and South Dakota. The storm has stopped the gathering of corn, with fully a fifth of Nebraska's big crop yet in the field. The movement of trains is greatly hampered and the wind, which is rising to-night, may cause troublesome drifts.

PRICE THREE CENTS. MRS. M'KINLEY SINKING.

THE PRESIDENT WATCHING BY HIS MOTHER'S BEDSIDE.

NO HOPE THAT SHE WILL REGAIN CONSCIOUSNESS GIVEN BY THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN-THE

PRESIDENT DECIDES TO RETURN TO

WASHINGTON FOR THE OPEN-ING OF CONGRESS

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 3 .- President McKinley will be in Washington for the opening of Congress next Monday, whatever may be the issue of his mother's illness. It is necessary for the President to receive the joint committee from the two houses, and until this committee has waited on him and received his communication the regular business of Congress cannot proceed. Mrs. McKinley is unconscious, and the attending physician can give the family no hope that she will ever return to consciousness. The President can do absolutely nothing for her by remaining with her. In view of these facts, the President feels that it is his duty to return to Washington, so as not to delay the opening of Congress at the regular time. He has arranged to leave Canton at 2:05 o'clock to-morrow afternoon in the special car provided for him, attached to the regular Pennsylvania train which reaches Washington Sunday morning. Assistant Secretary Day, who accompanied the President from Washington, expects to return to

To-day was one of great suspense in the Mc Kiniey family. The nearness of death was realized, and it was seen that there could be no other than a fatal ending to the illness with which Mrs. McKinley was stricken on Thursday The attending physician could give no hope of a different result, and it is to the remarkable constitution of the patient, who has reached the ripe age of nearly eighty-nine years without illness of any consequence, that he attributes the fact that the flame of life was not extinguished earlier. The family surrounded the bedside all day, watching intently for any rally from the comatose condition in which the patient has been almost from the beginning of the illness, and at short intervals the doctor called. But the word from the sickroom was almost without variation, the family and the doctor announcing from time to time increasing weakness

Canton early next week.

Only twice was this report varied by the announcement of evidence of partial consciousness The first was when President McKinley reached the sickroom. His sister Helen announced his arrival, saying: "Mother, here is William. If you recognize him, hold out your hand. SLIGHT RECOGNITION OF HER SON.

The enfeebled patient seemed to understand and to make an effort to extend her hand, which was immediately grasped by the devoted son. He thought he felt a responsive tightening of her hand about his own as he d'd so, but the recognition was so slight as to be almost imperceptible. It was some time later that a second rally seemed to occur. Some beautiful flowers were sent from the conservatory of the White House, and when they were taken into the room she noted their arrival and seemed to make an effort to reach for one. The President quickly selected a white illy and handed it to her. She took it in her hand and carried it to her bosom, it being apparent that she was consclous of the act and appreciated the flower. Soon after this, about noon, she quieted down into a rest that seemed to be almost a natural

Mrs. A. J. Duncan, of Cleveland, who was summoned from Chicago, where she had been visiting, was the last of the four children to arrive, and she came too late to be recognized by her mother. She made no effort on entering the room to gain recognition, because it was realized that the effort would not succeed and that it would only disturb the patient. From this time on the gradual weakening of Mrs. McKinley continued. How long her constitution will withstand the assaults of the disease no one can tell but it seems that it cannot be much longer. The President has scarcely been out of the house since his arrival this morning, and spent most of the day in his mother's

As soon as the special train which the Pennsylvania Railroad provided from Pittsburg reached the Canton station, the President hur-ried to the carriage in which Charles R. Miller, Judge T. T. McCarty and George B. Frease had gone to meet him, and was driven to the house. Only when he felt the need of a little fresh air and exercise did he and his brother Abner leave the house for a short walk.

There have been many callers at the he to-day, aged women friends of Mrs. McKinley being among those who called to offer sympathy. The inquiries by telegraph are numerous, and messengers are constantly going to Dr. Phillips made a call early this evening.

after which he said he could report no distinct

change in the condition of the patient. She con-

MANY MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY.

tinues to grow weaker, but may live until morning. If a radical change occurs, he thinks it will come well along in the morning. Dr. Phillips was recalled to the McKinley home an hour or two after his first visit to night, when the family saw evidence of rapid sinking in Mrs. McKinley's condition. He found her pulse very slow and weak, and the evidence of weakening more visible than ever. He called still later, and found the same condition. At 10 o'clock to-night he said that she might live

Mrs. McKinley was still sinking. SYMPATHY FROM LAFAYETTE POST. Lafayette Post No. 140, Department of New-York, met at the Masonic Temple last night and sent the following message of sympathy to President the following message of sympathy to President McKiniey: "Your comrades of Lafayette Post, in encampment assembled, tender you their heartfelt sympathy in your hour of sore trial. Josiah C. Long, Commander."

until morning, but he feared not. At 10:45

HOKE SMITH NOT COMING HERE.

HE DENIES THE RUMOR IN HIS ATLANTA NEWS

PAPER. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 3.—Hoke Smith, ex-Secretary of the Interior, announces in "The Atlanta Journal" to-day that there is no foundation for the rumor that he intends to move to New-York.

SISTERS INJURED IN BROADWAY.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A CAB AS THEY RETREATED FROM A CABLE-CAR WHICH WOULDN'T STOP.

Miss Gertrude Andrews, fifty-seven years old, and her sister, Georgiana, fifty-three years old, of Red Hook, Dutchess County, were severely injured last evening by being run down by a cab at Thirty-ninth-st. and Broadway. The sisters had come to this city to do some Christmas shopping. A few minutes before 6 o'clock they stood on the northnorthbound cable-car. The car was crowded, and

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As the women started back again to the side-walk they were both knocked down by a horse and cab driven by Joseph Karbb, of No. 301 East One-hundred-and-fifth-st. They were picked up by passers-by and carried to a drugstore, where they were attended by a surgeon from the New-York Hospital and taken there in an ambulance. Gertrude Andrews had her left leg broken and her sister received severe concussions of the thighs and possible internal injuries.

Karbb, the cab-driver, was locked up in the West Thirtieth-st, police station, and ball was refused. He said that when the car passed the two women turned suddenly and darted toward the sidewalk right under the hoofs of his horse. One of the women fell and dragged the other after her. Then the horse stepped on them.